Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/596,362	HAMAYOSHI ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	SARANG AFZALI	3726
II Participants: Status of Application: After Non-Fina;		
(1) SARANG AFZALI.	(3)	
(2) <u>THOMAS HUNTER</u> .	(4)	
Date of Interview: 30 June 2011	Time:	
Type of Interview: ☐ Telephonic ☐ Video Conference ☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative) Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes, provide a brief description:		
Part I.		
Rejection(s) discussed: N/A1		
Claims discussed:		
Prior art documents discussed: N/A		
Part II.		
SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED: See Continuation Sheet		
Part III.		
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above. 		
WARANO ACAMA		
/SARANG AFZALI/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3726		

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: A telephone call was made in an effort to amend claims to more clearly define the applicant's invention including the tapering portion of the flange to put the application in condition for allowance. However, Mr. Hunter indicated that they would prefer to receive an office action so that they can present back to their client in Japan before committing to any amendments or changes.